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2 Oct 87

MEMORANDUM FOR: Edward J. Maloney
Director of Information Technology

FROM:
Chief, Engineering Group

SUBJECT: The "Diskless PC" Concept: Strategy and Implications

REFERENCE: Your Memo, dtd 12 Aug 87, Same Subject

1. We are developing our plans with respect to Diskless PCs on several fronts.

2. Last Friday we held the first of what we plan to be monthly coordination meetings with IMS/DO. The subject of Friday's meeting was the software environment for Diskless PCs. EG and IMS personnel are now developing plans, including alternatives, for the development and deployment of this environment. These plans will include scope of the necessary efforts to be undertaken by the EG and IMS and will be briefed to EG and IMS management prior to finalization.

3. We have also formed a LAN branch within EG/OPD, to be headed by
 One of the first orders of business of this branch is developing a plan for the development of a standard set of Agency LAN architectures, consonant with the LAN Statement of Direction now on the table. The plan will specifically accommodate Diskless PCs, a standard user graphical interface, and the Agency's security requirements.

4. As you know, we are also in the process of acquiring a basic ordering contract for the Agency for a new family of workstations. One of the "reference configurations" in this solicitation is the Diskless PC. We anticipate being in a position to confirm that our architectural presumptions concerning the Diskless PC are valid by the middle of November.

5. We plan to have developed a complete picture of the implications of Diskless PCs and the planning for their support about 30 November, and will be prepared to brief it within the office at a convenient subsequent date.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: C/Engineering Group/OIT

FROM: Edward J. Maloney
Director of Information Technology

SUBJECT: The "Diskless PC" Concept: Strategy and Implementation

REFERENCE: Your memo to D/OIT, dtd 31 July 87, Same Subject

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Please pass on my thanks to [redacted] for the good job he did in preparation of the Diskless PC concept paper. As we discussed in our meeting, I support the recommendations and suggest you undertake to look at the implications of adopting them. In particular, I would like to know the cost and timetable on which we might proceed. A response by 30 September would be useful.

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Edward J. Maloney

OIT STAFF SUMMARY SHEET

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The "Diskless PC" Concept: Strategy and Implications

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ACTION OFFICER (Incl. Ext.)

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